IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 13, 2007 and the Advisory Action dated July 18, 2007, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks. This Amendment and Remarks is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net

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addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.